

NEWS RELEASE

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Marshall Man Shot During Residential Burglary - Suspects in Custody

The Plains, VA - An occupant of a residence shot a Marshall man during a burglary Wednesday night. Another Marshall man has been arrested and charged in connection with the incident. Deputies responded to a home in the 4900 block of Old Tavern Road near Great Meadow Wednesday night for a reported burglary in progress at 10:24 p.m. The victim and multiple callers advised gunshots had been fired.

Deputies arrived to find the front door of the residence had been kicked in. Occupants of the residence described a short male wearing a mask entering through the door. One of the occupants of the residence fired several gun shots at the man who then fled on foot. A suspect was developed after learning of a prior recent altercation between the homeowner and a male acquaintance.

A K-9 search was initiated and a helicopter from Fairfax County Police responded to assist. The K-9 led to an area near Old Tavern Road and Old Winchester Road. A Virginia State Trooper observed a suspicious vehicle come from that area and initiated contact with that vehicle on Old Tavern Road. The suspect identified earlier was found to be an occupant of that vehicle and was detained.

Sheriff's deputies simultaneously conducted a thorough search on foot on Old Tavern Road and eventually located a male subject in the ditch line matching the description of the suspect who entered the residence. That suspect was taken into custody. He was identified as Matthew Darolyn Hawkes, 39, of Marshall. Hawkes was found be suffering from a gunshot wound to the leg area. The Fairfax PD helicopter was staffed with medical personnel and landed near the scene to assist with medical care. Hawkes was transported via helicopter to a hospital for treatment.

Further investigation led to the arrest of a co-conspirator for assisting in the planning and execution of the burglary.

Matthew Darolyn Hawkes, 39, of Marshall is charged with burglary at night while armed, conspiracy to commit burglary, conspiracy to commit abduction and wearing a mask in public. Hawkes is currently in law enforcement custody receiving medical treatment.

George Cornelius Grant, 39, of Marshall is charged with conspiracy to commit burglary, conspiracy to commit abduction and violation of a protective order. Grant was held with no bond at the Fauquier County Adult Detention Center.

No injuries were reported by the homeowner or occupants. The investigation is on-going.

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